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India, Iran (Islamic Republic of), Mexico, Mongolia, Myanmar and Pakistan: draft resolution

Role of the United Nations in disarmament

The General Assembly,

Having carefully considered the report of the Secretary-General entitled "Renewing the United Nations: a programme for reform"[1] and the proposals contained therein concerning the restructuring of the United Nations Secretariat dealing with disarmament,

Reaffirming that the United Nations has a central role and primary responsibility in the field of disarmament,

Recalling in this regard the various resolutions and decisions adopted by the General Assembly, in particular the principles and priorities established by consensus in the Declaration and the Programme of Action contained in the Final Document of the Tenth Special Session of the General Assembly,[2] the first special session devoted to disarmament, which define the role of the United Nations, and form the basis for the existing disarmament machinery, in the context of the implementation of the responsibilities of the Organization under the Charter of the United Nations,

[1] A/51/950.

[2] Resolution S-10/2.

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Reaffirming the importance of the Conference on Disarmament as the single multilateral disarmament negotiating forum, in conformity with paragraph 120 of the Final Document of the Tenth Special Session of the General Assembly,[2]

1. Affirms the vision of promoting international peace and security set out in the Charter of the United Nations and its provisions concerning the non-use of force and the threat of force;

2. Underlines the necessity to further the objectives of promoting disarmament and regulating armaments set out in the Charter on the basis of negotiations reflecting the security interests of all States;

3. Reiterates that the adoption and implementation of disarmament measures should take place in such an equitable and balanced manner as to ensure the right of each State to security and to ensure that no individual State or group of States may obtain advantage over others;

4. Affirms its support for the objectives of nuclear and conventional disarmament, as set out in the Final Document of the Tenth Special Session of the General Assembly, the first special session devoted to disarmament;

5. Reiterates that nuclear disarmament has the highest priority in efforts to advance disarmament on a universal basis;

6. Reaffirms its support for the United Nations machinery on disarmament which is functioning pursuant to the decisions adopted at the Tenth Special Session of the General Assembly;

7. Reaffirms that the Conference on Disarmament is the sole multilateral negotiating body on disarmament;

8. Affirms that the implementation of international treaties dealing with disarmament should be carried out in accordance with the provisions of those treaties and that questions regarding compliance should be addressed in accordance with those provisions and the mechanisms established or envisaged in those provisions;

9. Affirms that the United Nations Secretariat should support the realization of the objectives of disarmament as set out in the Final Document of the Tenth Special Session of the General Assembly, adopted by consensus.